

# Our Daily Bread

Sliced Thin by The Editor

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## Efficiency Expert

### Dolorous Technique of Law vs. Business

Every time I have some correspondence with an insurance company home office I am reminded that it is inhabited by a race of people who go to the greatest possible lengths to produce an envelope that is one size too small to accommodate what's expected to go into it.

I smell lurking in the shadowy background the trail of an efficiency expert.

He's the guy who told the company how much it could save in dollars by cutting down on envelope size.

He's a cousin of the guy who told the government during the war that it would be to the nation's advantage to cut two inches off the tails of men's shirts.

But an envelope that won't hold its mail, like a shirt-tail that won't stay in your trousers, is a sin against decency and sound public relations.

And all that dollar-saving small envelope ever got the national companies was to remind the government they were making so much money their income taxes ought to be raised — and they were.

The senate yesterday approved a bill authorizing business houses to quote a uniform price for their products delivered anywhere in the United States.

For years American business has followed what is known as a price basing system absorbing the freight differential between near and far places, in order to quote approximately the same selling price everywhere.

Nothing was wrong with that system — just as nothing is wrong with any system that operates over a period of many years to expand business, increase employment, and maintain a satisfactory profit.

But the lawyers of the United States Supreme Court took it upon themselves to tear up the established pattern of trade and commerce — and outlawed the price basing system.

Now congress has just completed the tedious and unnecessary job of writing a specific bill to protect business against the whimsies of the lawyers of the court.

It's a fair example of what usually happens when opinion collides with an economic fact.

And as long as the people keep on honoring opinions without bothering to study the facts, just so long will government be tied down to additional law-making — at the price of still higher taxes.

## Six European Nations Pool Coal, Steel

Paris, June 3 — (AP) Six European nations agreed today to pool their coal and steel production as one means of unifying Western Europe and of strengthening its economic ties.

They also expressed hope the plan would serve and advance the cause of world peace.

France, Western Germany, Belgium, Italy, Luxembourg and The Netherlands agreed to go along with the pool plan proposed last May 9 by French Foreign Minister Robert Schuman. Great Britain declined to come in, although the British foreign office issued a communique in London paying tribute to "the bold character and far-reaching importance" of the Schuman proposal. The plan has the blessing of the United States.

"It is the first time in the history of the world," said a French government spokesman of today's agreement, "that countries whose differences have caused so many wars are getting together to create a community of interests which will eliminate the causes of wars."

The six agreeing nations said in a joint communique they had "decided to pursue a common action of peace, European solidarity and economic and social progress" by placing the coal and steel production of their respective countries in a common pool under a new high authority.

Britain, although remaining agreed to being kept informed of the progress of negotiations. The British government said it neither wanted to accept in advance nor reject in advance the idea behind the Schuman plan. It objected to the French request for a public declaration of approval in advance of actual discussions of how the pool will work.

## INCORPORATES

Little Rock, June 3 — (AP) — Vick A. Service, Pine Bluff, has incorporated here, listing authorized capital of \$2,500. Incorporators: Louis M. Vick, Charles D. Harris and Omole Vick, all of Pine Bluff.

## WEATHER FORECAST

Arkansas: Cloudy, thundershowers this afternoon east, south to night. Cooler tonight. Sunday cloudy.

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## Meat Packing Plant Started by Hope Men

Vincent Foster, chairman of the Chamber of Commerce Industrial Committee, today announced a new industry for Hope, one not transplanted from some other territory, but created and to be operated by natives of the city.

In keeping with the rapidly growing livestock industry of southwest Arkansas, Donald Moore and Kennie McKee have organized the Southwestern Packing Company which will be in operation on Monday in two brick buildings located on the old Southwestern Proving Ground site. This new plant, will manufacture and process sausage, cured hams, bacon, picnic hams, boiled hams, various luncheon loafs, wieners, bologna, and salami. All cattle and hogs will be purchased locally either directly from the producers or through the sales barn.

Mr. Moore and Mr. McKee stated that for the present slaughtering would be done at the slaughter house on the Rocky Mountain road until processing exceeded 100 head per week, at which time the slaughtering operations would be moved adjacent to the new plant buildings. The plant will begin operations with eight employees and it is the expectations of the owners that employment within three to five years will grow from thirty to forty people at which time the plant will be processing from 500 to 800 head weekly.

The plant is modern in every respect, all machinery being recently received direct from the factory. Four large refrigerating units will cool the four storage vaults, and the latest type machine has been installed in the smoker house. Deliveries will be made within a 50 mile radius of Hope, the out-of-town deliveries being made in the company owned insulated truck.

In addition to handling its own processed products, the company has been appointed jobber for the oleo plant located at Wilson, Ark. Also products of Armour & Company will be handled on a jobber basis.

Mr. McKee has recently moved back to Hope, his native city, from Garland City, Mr. Moore is well known in Hope and long identified with the meat industry, having spent all of his life in the business.

Mr. Moore and Mr. McKee expressed their appreciation to the many Hope people who have assisted in the establishment of this much needed industry. Both men were especially warm in their appreciation of the assistance given them by Mr. Foster.

## Hickenlooper Seeks GOP Renomination

Des Moines, Ia., June 3 — (AP) — Senator Bourke B. Hickenlooper, a prime figure in both atomic energy and state department probes, seeks the Republican nomination in Monday's Iowa primary election.

Sharing interest with his bid for reelection is the first farm belt test of the administration's Brannan farm plan. That is a major factor in the contest for the Democratic senatorial nomination.

Only this week, while campaigning in Iowa, Hickenlooper carried on a long distance argument with justice department representatives in Washington over what documents were found in the 1945 raids on the New York office of the magazine, Amerasia.

Hickenlooper claimed that among the papers was one listing wartime locations of American fleet units. James M. McInerney, chief of the justice department's criminal division, issued a flat denial.

Hickenlooper has submitted his candidacy largely on his record. His chief opponent is Earl F. Wisdom, Des Moines attorney. He has accused the senator of raising undue fears as to atomic bombs and Communists.

Wisdom also charged Hickenlooper has sided power and natural gas interests in his votes in the senate, and confused about Iowa's lack of authority over utilities even though the senator formerly was governor of Iowa.

A second but generally inactive opponent of the senator is Harry B. Thompson, Muscatine truck farmer. Thompson defeated Hickenlooper for the Republican nomination for lieutenant governor in 1938, but later withdrew and Hickenlooper was nominated in convention.

Albert J. Loveland, former U. S. undersecretary of state and one of the six candidates for the Democratic senatorial nomination, has been boosting for the Brannan plan.

## Galveston Has 12 1/2 Inches of Rain in 9 Hours

Galveston, Tex., June 3 — (AP) — Torrential rains — 12.45 inches in less than nine hours — flooded this Texas island city today. The entire city was inundated but there was apparently no danger to human life.

Galveston is a city of about 80,000 on the eastern tip of a 30-mile long island connected with the Texas coast by a causeway.

The downpour began about midnight. It was heaviest between 6 and 8 a. m. when 7.35 inches fell.

Storm sewers were unable to carry off the deluge, which flooded into ground floors of business houses and residences alike. Many stores did not open for business because employees were unable to get to work.

All city buses and private cars were stopped by the high water.

## McCarthy Hits Senate Probers

Washington, June 3 — (UP) — Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy said today he is about ready to abandon a subcommittee investigating his charges of state department pro-communism.

"In the future, I will probably refuse to give the committee any documents, information or witnesses," the Wisconsin Republican said. "I will probably develop my cases on the floor of the senate so the information will get to the American people."

McCarthy announced his "break" with the group following a speech inserted in the congressional record in which he denounced the subcommittee for badgering his witnesses. He said they have been subjected to "horse play and abuse."

He quoted Archibald Van Buren, a wartime official of the office of strategic services, as complaining that subcommittee investigators seemed disinterested in what he had to tell them about the 1945 Amerasia "stolen documents" case.

Subcommittee Chairman Millard E. Tydings, (D-Md.), was not available for comment. But in past battles with McCarthy, he has indicated that he is less than satisfied with the cooperation he is receiving from the Wisconsin Republican.

The McCarthy speech was an attack upon President Truman, the subcommittee and the state department. He challenged the President to open all loyalty files to congressional inspection and said that failure to do this is defense of "the vested interests" of the Communist party.

The statement overshadowed a running battle over the contents of the classified government documents seized in raids on the offices of the magazine Amerasia in 1945. The documents have been kept secret up to this point.

Six persons were arrested, and two — Editor Philip Jaffe and state department employee Emanuel Larsen — were fined.

## Posse Searches for Desperate Armed Trio

Calhoun, Ga., June 3 — (AP) — Wary but wary possemen searched the rain-swept north Georgia hill country today for a red-haired scar-faced woman and her two heavily armed companions.

The trio, wanted for gunfire brushes with officers of two states, left scant clues in their desperate hide-and-seek. One of the three is believed to be wounded.

Armed with a machine gun, a shotgun, and a pistol, the fugitives were described as "very dangerous" by searchers who believe they are trapped within an 18-square-mile area of this rugged heavily timbered section of north-west Georgia.

Warm ashes of a campfire and the print of a woman's heel in a desolate wooded area provided members of the posse with their strongest clues. A steady rain hampered the search.

All roads in the area were being watched by highway patrolmen from Tennessee and Georgia, aided by local constabulary. Blood hounds sniffed for tell-tale scents, and walkie-talkies kept segments of the posse in close communication with each other.

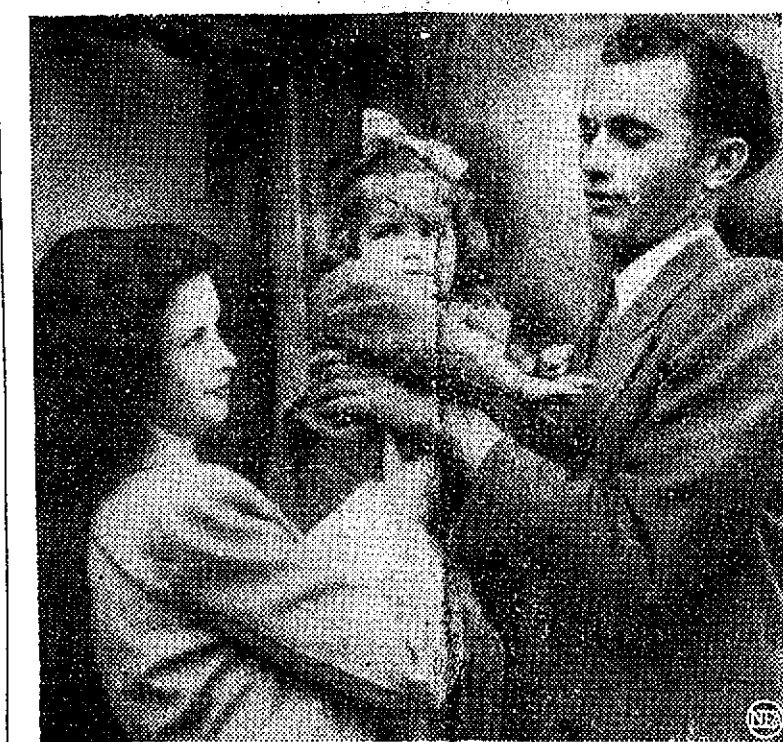
Tennessee patrolmen identified the male fugitives as William J. Parker of Huntsville, Ala., and Fred Scroggins, a native north Georgian reported to have lived in East Brainerd, Tenn. They said Parker is wanted on five counts of burglary.

The woman was not identified. The three began their escapade yesterday with a flourish of gunfire and speeding automobiles. They opened fire with a pistol when Lieut. Dainey Garland of the Tennessee Highway patrol stopped them at Oultewah for a routine check.

You can't very well walk ever



BARKLEY RECEIVES GOLD MEDAL — Vice President Alban Barkley receives a Congressional Gold Medal for "Distinguished Service in Congress" from President Truman at the White House. Looking at the medal, left to right: Mrs. Alban Barkley; Vice Pres. Barkley; President Truman and Nellie Taylor Ross, Director of the Bureau of the Mint. (NEA Telephoto)



STOWAWAY REUNITED WITH FAMILY — Henry (Hank) Durham, 26-year-old ex-GI from Houston, Texas, takes his 18-month-old daughter, Amber, from arms of his wife, Veronica, after being reunited with his family in Liverpool, England. Durham was jailed by British for stowing away across Atlantic to see his family. He has been given a stay of six months in Britain. (NEA Telephoto)

## The Art of Conversation Is Really Still Alive — the Real Trouble Is With the People

By HAL BOYLE

New York — (AP) — Certainly you can be an interesting conversationalist.

Yes, you can. Don't mind the sneers of your family and friends. Don't listen to them at all.

In fact, if you are going to be a really interesting conversationalist, you can't afford to listen to anybody else. For if you stop talking and listen to another person you cease to be interesting, you become — and the other fellow becomes — interesting. You can't put up with a thing like that, can you?

Many people will tell you today that the art of conversation is lost — that it died in the drawing rooms of the Victorian period. Others say that the movies killed it. Still others claim it was yet feebly struggling when television came along and drowned it out.

Actually they are all wrong. The art of conversation is still alive. The real trouble is that many people no longer think it is worth practicing. They figure that if they open their mouth an opinion might come out — and today it is more polite not to have opinions. Somebody might not like them.

This desire to avoid saying anything and yet to be in the society of one's fellow man is responsible for the present popularity of cocktail parties. There people can nod at one another and mutter through their martinis or mummur through their Manhattans. But if you listen carefully what do you hear? Only bubbles.

Practically everyone who speaks at all today begins by saying, "This is off the record," or else he is running for public office. Even housewives say things like, "well, this is off the record, but I am sure Mrs. Jones hasn't had her windows washed for at least three months."

So the first lesson you have to learn if you are going to be an interesting conversationalist is to throw caution to the winds and come out boldly and say: "Folks, this is on the record. Have you noticed how warm it is lately?" Ears will perk up all over the place. Daring always gets attention.

And that is another point: To be an interesting conversationalist, you must get attention. This is indeed more and more of a problem. Suppose you are visiting friends, and there somebody is — sitting glued before a television set with dead sardines in their mouths and glasses of watered red-eye in their hands.

You can't very well walk ever

and shut off the machine. But you can stagger out into the center of the room, grab the pit of your stomach and fall on the floor. Naturally, the hostess will switch on the lights to see what happened.

Then you simply rise and say, "a taxi driver the other day said an interesting thing to me —" And everybody will sit back and listen. What else can they do — run? Not with an unfinished drink in their paws.

The only real peril is you may meet another modern pioneer like yourself — somebody who wants to converse too. How to deal with him? Just pull out a pair of ear muffs and put them on. He may shut up or he may act indignant and go home. In either case you have won — you have the floor.

It doesn't really make much difference then what you say. People will be charmed to hear a real human voice again, and they will hear you through if you do nothing but recite the alphabet backward.

The world is that homesick for any conversation that doesn't come out of a box.

## Adkins Quits Employment Security Post

Little Rock, June 3 — (AP) — Former Gov. Homer M. Adkins is quitting his \$2,000 a year job as administrator of the state employment security division.

He gave no reason in a letter yesterday to Governor McMath in which he resigned, effective June 15.

He wrote McMath that "I want you to know I shall be glad to do anything I can to assist you in your campaign for a second term which you so justly deserve." McMath is opposed for re-nomination by former Gov. Ben Laney and four others.

Adkins, who was governor in 1941-45, assisted McMath in his first campaign for governor two years ago. He was named ESD administrator early in 1949.

There was no announcement of a successor to Adkins. Roland M. Shelton is assistant administrator. Adkins has business interests in Little Rock and a farm near Malvern.

## One Killed in Van Buren Truck Wreck

Van Buren, June 3 — (AP) — Two trucks, one of them heavily loaded with farm workers, side-swiped near here yesterday, leading to death of one person and injury of three others.

Emma Lou Henson, 13-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Henson of Van Buren, was killed.

The injured: James Paul Hampton, 13, Van Buren, broken arm.

David Hampton, 13, Van Buren, broken arm.

Linda Gordon, four months, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Gordon, Jr., Fort Smith, possible brain concussion.

The Henson girl and the two boys were among 24 bean pickers, who were returning to Van Buren in one truck. The impact caused the truck's slab sides to strike with such force that the girl was killed and the boys were injured. The truck, driven by Willie Hyatt of near Van Buren, did not overturn. No other occupant was injured seriously enough to require hospitalization.

After the collision, the other truck, driven by Royce Miller of Carthage, Mo., careened against an approaching automobile and pinned it against a bridge abutment. The Gordon child was riding in the auto omnibus with her father.

The trailer truck and the pinned automobile blocked the bridgeway of highway 64-71 east of here for several hours before they could be moved. Traffic was halted.

No charges were filed.

## Tax Writers Again Warned by Truman

Washington, June 3 — (AP) — House members said today President Truman has warned congressional tax writers once again that he will veto any bill which cuts excise taxes without making up the revenue loss to the government.

The President's restatement of his position underlined the dilemma confronting the house ways and means committee.

The committee has approved excise cuts far in excess of those recommended by Mr. Truman, but its efforts to find new ways of raising revenue thus far have failed hundreds of millions of dollars short of striking a balance.

The committee decided yesterday to stand fast on excise slashes totaling about \$1,075,000,000, almost double the \$535,000,000 limit Mr. Truman proposed.

It gave final approval to cuts affecting furs, jewelry, luggage, toilet preparations, movie and other tickets, and some tobaccos. It did back away somewhat on a previously approved \$18,000,000 annual tax slash for night club patrons.

One top committee member, asking not to be identified, told newsman the situation now is that the bill will be vetoed unless higher taxes are put on corporations.

The President suggested that the corporation income tax rate be boosted from 33 per cent to 42 per cent, for a \$650,000,000 increase.

The committee now is about \$760,000,000 shy of finding enough revenue to offset its big excise cut. Nobody is discussing any higher levies on individual incomes.

Mr. Truman's new warnings of a veto was relayed to members of the ways and means committee by congressional leaders who called at the White House.

The committee began yesterday a review of its previous tentative approval of excise cuts totaling \$1,800,000,000. It covered items accounting for \$525,000,000 of the cut, and was able to trim down the side of the slash by only \$50,000,000 net.

## Highway Dept. May Have to Build Truck Routes

Little Rock, June 3 — (AP) — The Arkansas highway department is confronted with the possibility that it may have to assume full maintenance for truck routes through cities.

A Little Rock delegation yesterday asked the highway commission to take over truck routes through Little Rock. The delegation said the city was unable to pay half the cost as it now does.

Highway Director J. C. Baker said legally it is the state's responsibility to assume all maintenance cost on such routes. He said other cities probably will ask for a similar arrangement if the Little Rock request is granted.

The commission directed Baker and Chief Highway Engineer Alf Johnson to study the matter.

## Budget Deficit Is Less Than Expected

Washington, June 3 — (AP) — The federal government may wind up the 1950 fiscal year some \$1,400,000,000 less in the red than the administration had forecast only six weeks ago.

There is even an outside chance that the treasury will find itself better off by close to \$2,000,000,000.

The budget deficit for the 12-month period ending the 30th of this month appears likely now to stay well below \$4,000,000,000 — a startling 26 per cent improvement over the \$5,400,000,000 deficit predicted by the budget bureau on April 2.

This change in the outlook was indicated by the trend of official figures and confirmed by officials who cannot be named but who have excellent information on the situation.

They ascribed the new development to the fact that government spending is lagging far behind estimates, while tax revenues are running moderately above April expectations.

As of May 31 — when only only month left of this fiscal year — there were signs that the 12-month spending figure alone might fall a whopping \$1,400,000,000 below the April 20 estimate of \$42,000,000,000. That total was itself a sharp cut from President Truman's January prediction that \$43,300,000,000 would be spent this year.

Officials said the April spending guess is virtually certain to prove an overestimate of at least \$1,000,000,000.

On the revenue side, the trend was toward a year-end mark going \$700,000,000 above the April estimate of \$38,600,000,000, but officials said the excess is more likely to be about \$400,000,000 to \$500,000,000.

The April receipts estimate itself reflected a \$1,200,000,000 cut from President Truman's January revenue prediction. It appeared that estimators had trimmed too deeply under the pessimistic influence of disappointing March tax collections.

Since March, there has been a some pickup in the flow of revenue, partly the result of an improvement in business, along with an increase in employment and personal income.

## Families Flee Before Erupting Volcano

By STAN CARTER  
Kealeakuea, Hawaii, June 3 (AP) (By Radiophone) — Heavy black stone from erupting Mauna Loa covers hundreds of acres of Hawaii's Kona coast today. Between 80 and 80 families have fled their homes. Lava has eaten into parts of villages.

It is a scene of both desolation and beauty created by one of the world's most active volcanoes. Here and there is a fallen tree knocked over by the lava that still spills over the sides of the crater.

Mauna Loa broke loose Thursday night after a sleep of 18 months. Volcanologist Ruy H. Finch of the Hawaii volcano observatory said it was the most violent eruption on record for the tons of lava spewed within the first few hours. He predicted it might last two weeks.

He reported: "The area outside the crater swept by lava in the first 12 hours was the greatest on record. It's most spectacular feature was the speed with which it covered the southwestern slopes of Mauna Loa."

Patmos Civic Group to Hold Ladies Night

SWAP, Patmos civic organization, will entertain with a ladies night program Monday, June 5, starting at 7:30. Carl Hinton will be principal speaker. The public is invited. Refreshments will be served.

## Jap Communist March, Strike Is Big Flop

Tokyo, June 3 — (AP) — A Communist "march on Tokyo" flopped today. So did a Red-called general strike for all Japan. Both had been set to protect the trial of eight Japanese who attacked American soldiers Memorial day, the eight were convicted this afternoon.

The Communist failure here was as complete as the Red threat last month to take Berlin. As in the old German capital, Japan's Reds refused to tackle police thoroughly alerted for any trouble. There wasn't a show of violence anywhere in Japan.

Japanese police pulled the rug out from under Communist plans by banning mass demonstrations outdoors. They couldn't use Tokyo's Imperial palace or Hibya park, their favorite rallying places. Neither could they parade through the capital of past General MacArthur's occupation headquarters.

The occupation was the announced target of Red wrath. The big blowout in Tokyo and the general strike were scheduled in retaliation for the arrest and trial of eight Japanese who attacked and roughed up five American soldiers.

The arrests grew out of Red demonstrations Memorial day. They called a rally for the Imperial plaza at the same time American troops were using it for Memorial ceremonies. Japanese police prevented the Reds from using it. The Communists howled: "Suppression."

Later that day they rallied at Hibya park. Four soldiers of the U.S. counter intelligence corps were assigned to observe. A Red corps photographer was there. They were attacked.

The eight Japanese subsequently arrested were charged with assault and disobeying occupation orders. An American military court this afternoon convicted all but one. A double conviction was also obeying the occupation.

## Wants to Know What U. S. Will Get

Washington, June 3 — (AP) — Senators called on the state and defense departments today to find out what security America is getting in return for vast outlays to rear Western Europe.

Senators H. Alexander Smith (N.J.) and Knowland (R-Calif.) demanded a breakdown of what really has been accomplished by the European countries in building up their defenses.

They asked also for a tabulation of where the \$1,222,500,000 posed new outlay for foreign arms will be spent.

Secretary of State Acheson, the combined senate foreign relations and armed services committees yesterday that "we are getting security from having an adequate security force for the North Atlantic alliance. The alliance formed to combat the threat of communism."

In response to a question of Smith, Acheson said that arms have to be increased in the future to come.

Smith told a reporter he said that statement will make it difficult for him and other senators who support the foreign armament program to push through congress.

"I am not clear what we are getting by these vast expenditures," Smith said. "It seems to me that we call the tune and have to pay almost all of the bill. We put on these European armies to make them help themselves out."

Senators declined comment reports that atomic artillery and atomic warheads have been developed by this country. Weapons might revolutionize warfare and defense, but lawmakers wanted to hear more before they offered opinions.

## Terry Turns Down Kentucky Coaching Job

Pine Bluff, June 3 — (AP) — Terry said today he has turned down a University of Kentucky job and will remain coach at Pine Bluff. He had been considered for a coaching job at Kentucky's Coach Paul H. Terry has been head coach since 1944.

Television news some what time military effect on sports on high 100 feet











